

(a)(1) and any standards prescribed under subsection (b) or (c) of section 23015 shall apply to a person modifying a passenger motor vehicle (as defined in section 32101 of title 49, United States Code) that has already been purchased by the first purchaser (as defined in section 30102(b) of that title) by increasing the wheelbase of the vehicle to make the vehicle a limousine.

(c) APPLICATION.—The requirements of this section apply notwithstanding section 30112(b)(1) of title 49, United States Code.

SA 2571. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1099, beginning on line 22, strike “or” and all that follows through line 24, and insert the following:

(C) to purchase or lease a license plate reader; or

(D) to purchase, lease, or operate an unmanned aircraft system (as defined in section 44801 of title 49, United States Code) manufactured by—

(i) an entity domiciled in the People’s Republic of China; or

(ii) an entity, or a subsidiary or affiliate of an entity, that is subject to influence or control by—

(I) the Government of the People’s Republic of China; or

(II) the Chinese Communist Party.

SA 2572. Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division G, add the following:

TITLE XII—AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE

SEC. 71201. FUNDING FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITIES AND RESEARCH FACILITIES OF THE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITY.—The term “agricultural research facility” has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390).

(2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(b) APPROPRIATION.—In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Secretary for the period of fiscal years 2022 through 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$12,500,000,000, to remain available until expended, to carry out this section, of which the Secretary shall use—

(1) \$11,500,000,000 to carry out the competitive grant program established under section 4 of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C.

390b) to provide to agricultural research facilities the Federal share of the costs of the construction, alteration, acquisition, modernization, renovation, or remodeling of—

(A) the agricultural research facilities; or

(B) the equipment of the agricultural research facilities necessary for conducting agricultural research; and

(2) \$1,000,000,000 to provide direct payments to research facilities of the Agricultural Research Service for the purpose of addressing deferred maintenance, with priority given to the most critical structures, in accordance with the Agricultural Research Service Capital Investment Strategy dated April 23, 2012.

(c) SECRETARIAL WAIVER.—Notwithstanding section 3(c)(2)(A) of the Research Facilities Act (7 U.S.C. 390a(c)(2)(A)), in carrying out subsection (b)(1), the Secretary, on a case-by-case basis, as the Secretary determines to be appropriate, may provide that the Federal share of the costs described in that subsection is up to 100 percent of those costs.

(d) EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In awarding grants under the program described in paragraph (1) of subsection (b) using amounts made available by that subsection, the Secretary, to the maximum extent practicable, shall ensure—

(A) an equitable geographic distribution of funds;

(B) an equitable distribution of funds to diverse institutions; and

(C) an equitable distribution of funds to agricultural research facilities of various sizes.

(2) REQUIREMENT.—Of the amounts made available by subsection (b) to carry out paragraph (1) of that subsection, not more than 20 percent may be provided for projects in any 1 State each fiscal year.

SA 2573. Mr. OSSOFF submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 202, strike line 5 and insert the following:

(2) in subsection (1)—

(A) by striking paragraph (2);

(B) by striking the subsection designation and all that follows through “In determining” in paragraph (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) and inserting the following:

“(1) ACCOMMODATING UTILITY FACILITIES IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY.—

“(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) FEDERAL LAND.—The term ‘Federal land’ means any land or interest in land owned by the United States.

“(B) INDIAN LAND.—The term ‘Indian land’ means—

“(i) land located within the boundaries of—

“(I) an Indian reservation, pueblo, or rancheria; or

“(II) a former reservation within Oklahoma; and

“(ii) land not located within the boundaries of an Indian reservation, pueblo, or rancheria—

“(I) the title to which is held in trust by the United States for the benefit of an Indian Tribe or an individual Indian;

“(II) the title to which is held by an Indian Tribe or an individual Indian, subject to restriction against alienation under laws of the United States; or

“(III) the title to which is held by a dependent Indian community.

“(C) RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The term ‘right-of-way’ means any real property, or interest therein, acquired, dedicated, or reserved for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a highway.

“(D) UTILITY FACILITY.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘utility facility’ means any privately, publicly, or cooperatively owned line, facility, or system for producing, transmitting, or distributing communications, power, electricity, light, heat, gas, water, steam, waste, storm water not connected with highway drainage, or any other similar commodity, including any fire or police signal system or street lighting system, that directly or indirectly serves the public.

“(ii) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘utility facility’ includes—

“(I) a renewable energy generation facility;

“(II) electrical transmission and distribution infrastructure; and

“(III) broadband infrastructure and conduit.

“(2) ACCOMMODATION.—In determining”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) STATE APPROVAL.—A State, on behalf of the Secretary, may approve accommodating a utility facility described in paragraph (1)(D)(ii) within a right-of-way on a Federal-aid highway.

“(4) EXCLUSION.—Paragraph (3) shall not apply to a utility facility on Federal land or Indian land.

“(5) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this subsection alters or affects any prohibition relating to commercial activity under section 111(a).”;

(3) in subsection (o)—

On page 202, line 23, strike “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

On page 203, strike line 17 and insert the following: the project is located on a Federal-aid highway.

“(t) VEGETATION MANAGEMENT.—States are encouraged to implement, or to enter into partnerships to implement, vegetation management practices, such as increased mowing heights and planting native grasses and pollinator-friendly habitats, along a right-of-way on a Federal-aid highway, if the implementation of those practices—

“(1) is in the public interest; and

“(2) will not impair the highway or interfere with the free and safe flow of traffic.”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, I have 6 requests for committees to meet during today’s session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today’s session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.